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PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The regular Session of the 92nd General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? And will our guests in the galleries please rise? Our prayer today will be given by Reverend Franklin, First Congressional -- Congregational Church of Christ, Springfield, Illinois. Reverend Franklin.

THE REVEREND KEVAN FRANKLIN:

(Prayer by the Reverend Kevan Franklin)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Radogno)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Reading of the Journal.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Journal of Thursday, February 28th, 2002.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

Mr. President, I move that the Journal just read by the Secretary be approved, unless some Senator has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Jones moves to approve the Journal just read. There being no objection, so ordered. Messages.

SECRETARY HARRY:

A Message from the President, dated March 5th, 2002.

Dear Mr. Secretary - Pursuant to Rule 3-5(c), please be advised that I have replaced Senator Petka with Senator Weaver on the Senate Rules Committee, effective immediately. Senator --

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Weaver will serve as Chair, with Senator Dillard serving as Vice Chair, of the Committee.

Signed by President Philip.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

We're now going to 2nd Readings on the top of page 2. Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senator Syverson, Chair of the Committee on Public Health and Welfare, reports Senate Bills 1605, 1717, 1794, 1820, 1978, 2050, 2069, 2098, 2305, 2306, 2307, 2308, 2309 and 2310, all Do Pass; and Senate Bills 1537, 1609, 1798, 2001, 2200, 2225, 2226 and 2241 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Dillard, Chair of the Committee on Local Government, reports Senate Bills 1571, 1627, 1635, 1679, 1735, 1958 and 1972 Do Pass; and Senate Bills 1683, 1909, 1946, 1971, 2016 and 2149 Do Pass, as Amended.

And Senator Tom Walsh, Chair of the Committee on Insurance and Pensions, reports Senate Bills 1710, 1849, 1859, 1860, 1862, 1873, 1874, 1976, 2113, 2115, 2147, 2245 and 2254, all Do Pass; and Senate Bills 268, 1779, 1839 and 1996 Do Pass, as Amended.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Demuzio, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Let -- let the record reflect that Senator Ronen is not here, due to illness.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The record will so indicate. Now we're going to go to 2nd Readings. Then after that, 3rd Readings. So, at the top of page 2, Senate Bill 1542. Senator Sieben. Senator Sieben. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 1573. Senator Sieben. Senator Sieben. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 1606. Senator Dillard. Senator Dillard. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

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SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1606.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill -- Senate Bill 1608. Senator Sieben. Senator Sieben. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 1650. Senator Luechtefeld. Senator Luechtefeld. Senator Luechtefeld. Are you there? 1650. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1650.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Revenue adopted one amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments that have been approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1666. Senator Cullerton. Senator Cullerton. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 1668. Senator Cullerton. Senator Cullerton. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 1684. Senator Watson. Senator Watson. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1684.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1684. Whoop! Excuse me. 1685. Senator Burzynski. Senator Burzynski. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

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SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1685.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Licensed Activities adopted one amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments that have been approved for...

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1686. Senator Burzynski. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1686.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1688. Senator Burzynski. Read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1688.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Licensed Activities adopted one amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments that have been approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1689. Senator... Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

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SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1689.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No -- the Committee on Licensed Activities adopted one amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments been approved for...

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1690. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1690.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Licensed Activities adopted one amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1701. Senator DeLeo. Senator DeLeo. Take it out of the record. Top of page 3. Senate Bill 1734. Senator Dudycz. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1734.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1806. Senator Myers. Senator Myers. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

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SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1806.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Agriculture and Conservation adopted one amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1809. Senator Weaver. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1809.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Revenue adopted one amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 1810. Senator Peterson. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 1876. Senator Peterson. Take it out of the record. I'm sorry. I skipped over Senate Bill 1854. Senator Shaw. Senator Shaw. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 1951. Senator Jacobs. Senator Jacobs. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 1975. Senator Karpiel. Senator Karpiel. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

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Senate Bill 1975.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Commerce and Industry adopted one amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2004. Senator Donahue. Senator Donahue. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 2004.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2017. Senator Sieben. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 2017.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Executive adopted one amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2074. Senator Viverito. Senator Viverito. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 2135. Senator

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Demuzio. Senator Demuzio. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 2135.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on State Government Operations adopted one amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for...

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2140. Senator Geo-Karis. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 2140.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2160. Senator Link. Senator Link. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 2188. Senator Geo-Karis. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 2188.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2191. Senator Walsh. Senator -- take it out of the record. On the top of page 4. Senate Bill 2192. Senator Walsh. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 2193. Senator Mahar. Senator Mahar. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 2198. Senator Peterson. Senator Peterson. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

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SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 2198.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2305 {sic} (2205). Senator Noland.
Senator Noland. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 2205.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2206. Senator Burzynski. Read the
bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 2206.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2209. Senator Peterson. Read the
bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 2209.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2211. Senator Peterson. Read the
bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill -- Senate Bill 2211.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

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PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2212. Senator Peterson. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 2212.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2214. Senator -- Senator Donahue. Excuse me. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 2214.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Executive adopted one amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments approved...

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2215. Senator Watson. Senator Watson. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 2223. Senator Burzynski. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 2223.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Licensed Activities adopted one amendment.

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No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 2249. Senator Lauzen. Senator Lauzen. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 2250. Take it out of the record. On the top of page 5. Senate Bill 2303. Senator Dillard. Senator Dillard. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 2323. Senator Rauschenberger. Senator Rauschenberger. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 2323.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senator Petka, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR PETKA:

Thank you, Mr. President. A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

State your point.

SENATOR PETKA:

Thank you, Mr. President. It's my very high honor to welcome to the Senate one of my successors as Will County State's Attorney, the current State's Attorney of Will County, Jeff Tomczak. Would we please -- please welcome him?

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Will he please rise and be recognized by the Senate? Welcome. All right. Top of page 5. Senate Bills 3rd Reading. Senate Bill 929. Senator Donahue. All right. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 929.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Donahue.

SENATOR DONAHUE:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Senate Bill 929 allows physician assistants to sign a -- the form that has to be turned in to the schools for -- when children have to have their health examinations to get into school. It's a voluntary situation. If you have a collaborating agreement with your physician, he can have you sign it. If he doesn't want this, he doesn't have to. It's a good piece of legislation, and it updates our School Code to reflect the way our laws are now, allowing for physician assistants. And I would simply ask for your support.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? If not, the question is, should Senate Bill 929 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed, No. The -- the voting is open. Have you all -- have you all voted who wish? Have you all voted who wish? On the question, there are 56... Oh! Please take the record. On the question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, no voting Present. Senate Bill 929, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1524. Senator Bomke. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1524.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 1524 simply codifies how the State Board calculates the ADA for year-round schools. We're not really changing

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anything. We're just simply putting it in statute. Be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1524 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have you all voted your wish? Have you all voted your wish? Take the record. On the question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, no voting Present. Senate Bill 1524, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1527. Senator Demuzio. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1527.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is a -- a bill that's been worked out on both sides of the aisle. It attempts to get to a problem where you have an underage drinker who is -- is drinking, but the person to whom is the seller of the -- of the liquor is a person who is not licensed. What this attempts to do is to provide for a felony if, in fact -- Class 4 felony if a death occurs as a result of this violation. It -- it is an agreed-to amendment. I would ask your support.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? Senator Demuzio, to close. All right. The question is, shall Senate Bill 1527 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed, No. The voting is open. Have you all voted your wish? Have you all voted your wish? Take the record. There are 57 Ayes, no Nays, no

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voting Present. Senate Bill 1527, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1534. Senator Demuzio. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1534.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Thank you, Mr. President. This, too, I think, is a bill that's been agreed to. This would transfer the auditing functions of regional superintendents of schools from the State Board of Education to the Auditor General. And that's basically what it does. So I would ask for your support.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1534 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The voting's open. Have you all voted your wish? Have you all voted your wish? Take the record. On the question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, no voting Present. Senate Bill 1534, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1540. Senator Jones. Senator Jones. Read the bill, Madam -- Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1540.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

This bill simply opens up a condominium association's board

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meetings to -- to be open meetings. We found out -- a Section in the law that does not require them, particularly outside the City of Chicago, to be open meetings, and this simply provides for the open meetings. We are in negotiation with Democrats on adding some language with an 800 number for -- for some of our State departments, for clarification, but we can't come up with the wording because we don't want 'em giving legal advice. But we would like to pass this bill out, and if there is an amendment, we'll talk about it later.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Further discussion? Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. Will sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Indicates he will.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Senator, by open meetings, you mean open to the members of the association, do you not? Not to the general public?

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

That is correct, Senator Hawkinson. They're -- right now they're closed sessions to even members of the condominium association.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Demuzio. All right. Senator...

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Senator, it's my understanding that there was to be an amendment to be worked out with respect to this bill. Is -- is that correct?

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Jones.

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SENATOR W. JONES:

Yes. As I mentioned, we're -- we're working on an amendment. The Democratic Minority Leader wanted to add an 800 number and have -- have the people call the Attorney General's Office, and then we found out the Attorney General didn't like the amendment. So we -- we took that off. We're trying to come up with some language -- language that would satisfy.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Jones.

SENATOR E. JONES:

Yeah. Thank you, Mr. President. If the sponsor wouldn't mind, could you -- we're still trying to negotiate and work out those problems. I appreciate what you've done in the past in holding it. If you'd just give us a little bit more time. Would you mind taking it out of the record? We'll try to get that worked out.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Jones.

SENATOR W. JONES:

How much longer...

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Wendell.

SENATOR W. JONES:

How much longer do we have to pass this bill?

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

I -- I believe it's in April. All right. We'll take -- take it out of the record. Okay. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 1550. Senator Myers. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1550.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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Senator Myers.

SENATOR MYERS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This bill is a bill that would allow the folks who are veterans and have motorcycles to be able to display that activity - that very wonderful activity that they have participated in - in supporting our country and would be able to display that on their motorcycles. I know of no one who's -- in opposition. I think it's the least we can do for our veterans who'd like that opportunity.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Further discussion? Further discussion? If -- if not, the question is, shall Senate Bill -- 1550 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have you all voted your wish? Have you all voted your wish? Take the record. On the question, there are 54 Ayes, no Nays, no voting Present. Senate Bill 1550, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1588. Senator Noland. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1588.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1588 provides for the issuance of a special license plate for EMTs, emergency medical technicians, and paramedics. Following the events of September 11th, I've had many ask, because of the -- many of the deaths were -- involved paramedics and EMTs, and they'd like to have a license plate tribute to them. Thank you.

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PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1588 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The voting's open. Have you all voted your wish? Have you all voted your wish? Take the record. On the question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, no voting Present. Senate Bill 1588, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1624. Senator Watson. Read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1624.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Watson.

SENATOR WATSON:

Thank you very much, Mr. President. Some of our citizens are afflicted with the medical condition called "lupus". And when you have lupus, oftentimes you have a real sensitivity to the sunlight. So we've come forth with legislation that would allow those individuals who have medically certified lupus to have an exemption from the tinted window...

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Can we have a little order? Can we keep the -- these huddles off the Floor for a little bit and listen to what he's -- it's 3rd Reading, so it is kind of important. Senator Watson.

SENATOR WATSON:

Yes. Thank you. This would allow those people with lupus, who have a medically certified condition, to use tinted windows. The State Police originally had some concerns with this, as did the Medical Society. We amended their objections out of it. The Secretary of State supports the bill, and I know of no objection.

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PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Further discussion? Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Yes. Would the sponsor yield?

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Indicates he will. Senator...

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Senator, this issue of allowing tinted windows, I know has been controversial in the law enforcement community in the past, and Secretary of State. You indicated that they have no problem with it, but I wonder if you could tell me a little -- with more specificity just what does the bill do and what -- what portion of the bill was modified or changed so that they no longer have any opposition to it.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Watson.

SENATOR WATSON:

We made the legislation pertain only to lupus and those individuals who have that medical condition, and that relieved their objection. There is some already current language that allows for other conditions. We're just adding another one.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Further discussion? If not, Senator Watson, to close. All right. The question is, shall Senate Bill 1624 pass. All those in favor will signify by saying Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have you all voted your wish? Have you all voted your wish? Take the record. On the question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, no voting Present. Senate Bill 1624, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1637. Senator Sieben. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 1656. Senator Woolard. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

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Senate Bill 1656.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Woolard.

SENATOR WOOLARD:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. This is a bill that will give the only remaining hospital in the County of Franklin the opportunity to be sold so that it'll continue to serve the people of that region. I would certainly appreciate your Aye vote and support on this issue.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Further discussion? Further discussion? The question is, shall Senate Bill 1656 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have you all voted who wish? Have you all voted who wish? Take the record. 57 Ayes, no Nays, no voting Present. Senate Bill -- 1656, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1658. Senator Bomke. Read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill -- 1658.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

Thank you, Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 1658 comes to me by the way of the Illinois Dental Society. It's intended to address serious health problems related to oral piercing. Among those health problems are swelling, blood clots, hemorrhaging, nerve damage, numbness, cracked teeth and inhaled jewelry. This simply would require, if

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you will, a warning statement to go along with -- to -- to parents or adults who would be signing for a -- a child to have piercing done. Be happy to address any questions.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Further discussion? Further discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1658 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have you all voted your wish? Have you all voted your wish? Take the record. On the question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, no voting Present. Senate Bill 1658, having -- received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. On the top of page 6. Senate Bill 1695. Senator Bowles. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1695.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Bowles.

SENATOR BOWLES:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1695 is concerned with the Tri-City Regional Port District Act. The federal government has given the Melvin Price Center to the Port Authority, and the Port Authority -- this bill would redefine the facilities to include purposes that further the public interest, such as child care centers, senior -- senior housing, and it removes the aeronautical aspect of it so that there is no airport concern in the future. It permits the District to accept grants, loans and appropriations. It permits the District to enter into agreements with the State and the County of Madison concerning such agreements. And it memorializes a past practice which allows the mayors, within the confines of this Port Authority District, to serve on the Board, along with seven

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members, four appointed by the Governor, one appointed by the Mayors of Venice, Madison and Granite City. Be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Further discussion? Further discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1695 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have you all voted your wish? Have you all voted your wish? Take the record. On the question, there are 55 Ayes, 1 Nay, none voting Present. Senate Bill 1695, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1704. Senator Klemm. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1704.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Thank you, Mr. President. Senate Bill 1704 is a -- a terrorism initiative by the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police. It's purpose is to allow cross-jurisdictional cooperation between the various police departments on large-scale types of investigations similar to the September 11th problem we had. And it would only operate if the appropriate law enforcement agencies requested aid from another law enforcement agency. This would allow the various departments to coordinate their efforts and try to solve and -- and take care of control for crowd control, those that are -- are looting, let's say, stores, if there's a bombing or something like that. In other words, for the smaller departments and even the larger departments, they can use the forces of others, other police departments around them, to be a

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coordinated effort. There's no opposition, and I do ask for your support. I think it's a good move to help law enforcement communities add added protection to our communities. Thank you.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1704 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have you all voted your wish? Have you all voted your wish? Take the record. On -- on the question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, no voting Present. Senate Bill 1704, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1705. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 1732. Senator Dudycz. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill -- take it out of the record. Senate Bill 1761. Senator Karpiel. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1761.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Karpiel.

SENATOR KARPIEL:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is really a very simple bill. It allows the -- certain -- certain municipalities in fire protection districts to sign intergovernmental -- have intergovernmental agreements to provide ambulance service. This bill has been in effect ever since Senator Grotberg was down here. He's the one who passed the bill. But at that time, the population figures of Kane County and Will County and DuPage County that are mentioned in this bill, were a lot lower. So all we're doing with this bill is raising the population figures of municipalities that -- within these counties to have this

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intergovernmental agreement.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Any further discussion? Any -- if not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1761 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have you all voted who wish? Have you all voted who wish? Take the record. On the question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, no voting Present. Senate Bill 1761, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill -- take it out of the record. Senate Bill 1814. Senator Karpiel. Read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1814.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Karpiel.

SENATOR KARPIEL:

Thank you, Mr. President. This is also another very -- another very simple bill. It does two things. One thing it does, it -- it corrects an error in a cross-reference in the statutes. I mean, in one paragraph in the Township Code it says reference -- it references another paragraph and there isn't any other paragraph. So we're correcting that, and we're saying that the -- the second thing that it does, and the most important, it clarifies that an existing tax - I'm not raising any taxes or putting any new tax in - an existing tax for senior citizen services may also be used not just for the services, but to construct, maintain and repair and operate a senior -- a senior citizens' center.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1814 pass. All those in favor will

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signify by voting Aye. The opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have you all voted your wish? Have you all voted your wish? Take -- take the -- Senator Karpiel, would you like to vote for your bill? Take -- take the record. You -- still -- still hasn't registered? Is it something... All right. On the question, there are 51 Ayes, no -- 4 Nays, 4 voting -- none -- nobody voting Present. Senate Bill 1814, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1840. Senator Myers. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1840.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Myers.

SENATOR MYERS:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This is a bill that would allow persons in SURS to retire after thirty years of service, and it's a good bill because this -- this legislation is due to expire in 2003. The fear of many is that there are about fourteen hundred employees who, if we don't extend this sunset, would be positioned to retire immediately, and they feel that the impact would be great upon the university system. So that I -- I feel that this legislation would allow these people to remain for an additional period of time within their jobs, and I think that it makes sense for those reasons.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Any further discussions? Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1840 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have you all voted who wish? Have you all voted who wish? Take the record. On the question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, no voting Present.

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Senate Bill 1840, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1900. Senator Peterson. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1900.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 1900 amends the Township Code. It authorizes certain townships to provide for the construction of drainage ditches by special taxation of real property touching the road near the proposed drainage ditch if more than fifty percent of the affected landowners approve. This is specifically for those townships who no longer have highway districts. They've gone under the four miles of road and their highway districts have been sunset. This allows the township board to provide for drainage in those affected areas, and that would only be in the unincorporated area. It would not affect villages, incorporated towns or cities. Ask for your support.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1900 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have you all voted who wish? Have you all voted who wish? Take the record. On the question, there are 54 Ayes, no Nays, 2 voting Present. Senate Bill 1900, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 1926. Senator Sullivan. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 1997. Senator Klemm. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 1999. Senator

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Bowles. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1999.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Bowles.

SENATOR BOWLES:

Thank you, Mr. President, Members of the Senate. This bill amends the Energy Conservation and Coal Development Act and Southern Illinois University Management Act, and it transfers the corn to ethanol research facility, the duties, from the -- for the Research Advisory Board from the Department of Commerce and Community Affairs to Southern Illinois University, and it revises the membership of the Board. This facility is already under construction. DCCA is in full support of this transfer, and I would ask for a favorable vote.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Any further discussion? Any further discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 1999 pass. All those in favor, vote Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have you all voted your wish? Have you all voted your wish? Take the record. On the question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, no voting Present. Senate Bill 1999, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2071. Senator... Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 2072. Senator Dillard. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 2189. Senator Parker. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 2197. Senator Dillard. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 2197.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

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3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

Thank you, Mr. President. It's nice to have the real President up in -- in the seat. This bill amends the Sexually Dangerous Persons Act, and it comes from the Department of Corrections to eliminate an archaic term, sociologist, from the statute and also makes gender-neutral changes. Changes the term "patient" and replaces it with "person". I'd appreciate a favorable roll call.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Further discussion? Further discussion? If not, the question is, shall Senate Bill 2197 pass. All those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have you all voted your wish? Have you all voted your wish? Take the record. On the question, there are 52 Ayes, 3 voting No, no Present. Senate Bill 2197, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2201. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 2202. Senator Rauschenberger. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 2222. Senator Rauschenberger. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 2222.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 2222 is permissive legislation permitting the ICC to charge utilities and electrical and telecommunication providers

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small fees for -- in order to offset the cost of setting up electronic filing of information with the Commission. The industry's all in agreement with it. We've been working on it for almost two years. I'd appreciate a favorable roll call and be happy to answer questions.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Further discussion? Senator Klemm. Senator Klemm. Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Mr. Speaker, I inadvertently voted wrong on -- Mr. President. Excuse me. Holy moly, am I confused. Mr. President, I owe you a deep apology.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

I'm not sure that's a promotion or a demotion.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Well, I was -- inadvertently voted incorrectly on Senate Bill 2197. I would have voted Yes. Would the record show that?

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The record will so indicate. Any further discussion? On the question, shall Senate Bill 2222 pass, all those in favor, signify by saying Aye. The opposed, Nay. The voting is open. Have you -- have you all voted your wish? Have you all voted your wish? Take the record. On the question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, no voting Present. Senate Bill 2222, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senate Bill 2224. Senator Syverson. Senator Syverson. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 2263. Senator Dillard. Senator Hawkinson, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Thank you, Mr. President. For purposes of an announcement.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Make your announcement.

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SENATOR HAWKINSON:

The Senate Judiciary Committee will convene in Room 400 immediately upon adjournment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Thank you, Senator Hawkinson. Senator Rauschenberger, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

For purposes of an announcement, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

State your announcement.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

The Senate Appropriations Committee will meet immediately upon adjournment down in Room 212. I'd ask all Members to come as quickly as possible. Today is our deadline date. We're going to need to move shell bills out of committee. So we need all the Members there as quickly as possible. We should be able to conclude that portion of the work rather quickly if you have to be in other committees. So, I'd like all the Members to come as quickly as possible to Room 212.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Karpiel, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR KARPIEL:

Thank -- excuse me. Thank you, Mr. President. I would like the record to reflect that I would have voted Yes on Senate Bill 1814 if my switch had been working.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The record will so indicate, Senator. Senator Sieben, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SIEBEN:

Thank you, Mr. President. The Ag and Conservation Committee will meet in A-1 in the Stratton immediately upon adjournment. We only have two bills to hear. So if the Members could be there

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quickly, we'll accommodate those who have bills in the Judiciary and Approp Committees. So we'll get the Ag Committee done very quickly.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Any further business to come before the Senate? If not, Senator Weaver moves the Senate stand adjourned until the hour of noon, Wednesday, March 6th, the year of 2002.